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| In re Patent Application of |) | MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE - |
| Ingrid Gustafson et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 3761 |
| Application No.: 10/655,344 |) | Examiner: JACQUELINE F STEPHENS |
| Filed: September 5, 2003 |) | Confirmation No.: 6551 |
| For: SENSORING ABSORBING ARTICLE |) | |
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PETITION TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

According to the image file wrapper available on the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office website, a Notice of Allowance was mailed in this application on March 21, 2006. However, as is also apparent on the image file wrapper, the Notice of Allowance was returned to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as undeliverable on March 22, 2006. Accordingly, Applicants never received the original Notice of Allowance. Applicants have reviewed their docketing software and the appropriate file for this application, and there is no record of receiving the Notice of Allowance that was indicated in the image file wrapper as being mailed on March 21, 2006. In view of the fact that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office web site reflects the fact that the original Notice of Allowance was returned to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as undeliverable, further evidence of failure to receive by applicants' attorney should not be necessary.

On August 30, 2006, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office issued a Supplemental Notice of Allowability, which Applicants did receive.

In view of the fact that Applicants never received the original Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, Applicants respectfully request that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

withdraw any finding of abandonment and accept the Issue Fee and Publication Fee submitted herewith.

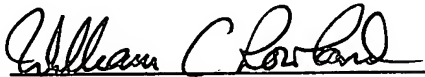
The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees required by this petition to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this Petition, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned attorney so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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